

Service office in Missoula, MT, I hope that Secretary Glickman will review the Forest Service reorganization plan and that he will stop any actions which make no sense—like the proposed Missoula closure.

Although I remain concerned about the need for expanded agricultural research and stability within the Agricultural Research Service, I know that before stations are closed, Secretary Glickman will help identify critical research and make certain such research is not unnecessarily eliminated just to show that locations are being cut.

Finally, today I am heartened that we will soon see a heightened sense of cooperation between the Department of Agriculture and the Department of the Interior. Whether it is animal damage control on our Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management properties or prevention of the spread of brucellosis between bison and cattle, I know we can expect greater teamwork.

I am confident that Mr. Glickman is well prepared for the challenges ahead of him. I congratulate him and I look forward to rolling up our sleeves and getting to work.

Thank you Mr. President. I yield the floor.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. DOLE. I now ask that the Senate return to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the Senate will return to legislative session.

COMMENDING CHICK REYNOLDS ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

Mr. DOLE. I send a resolution to the desk on behalf of myself and Senator DASCHLE and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 96) commending Chick Reynolds on the occasion of his retirement.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

RETIREMENT OF CHICK REYNOLDS

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, our friend Chick Reynolds, chief reporter of the Official Reporters of Debates, has notified the Secretary of the Senate that he intends to retire effective July 7, 1995.

Mr. Reynolds' remarkable Senate career began in 1974 when he was appointed an official reporter of debates. He later became the chief reporter in 1988. Mr. Reynolds' service has been honorable as well as memorable—his reporting has often landed him in the center of the day's headlines.

In his two decades of service, Mr. Reynolds reported Federal agency hearings and various committee testi-

monies in both the House and the Senate, including such notable events as the Joseph McCarthy and Jimmy Hoffa hearings. He covered the White House during the Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon administrations.

And Mr. Reynolds is truly a part of our country's great history. During his assignment in the Kennedy administration, he reported President Kennedy's famous Berlin speech and was in the Presidential motorcade on that tragic day in Dallas, when President Kennedy was assassinated.

Mr. Reynolds has served the Senate and the Nation with distinction and loyalty for over 20 years. I know all Senators will join me in wishing Chick and his wife, Lucille, our sincere gratitude and our prayers in his retirement.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the resolution is agreed to and the preamble is agreed to.

So the resolution (S. Res. 96) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, is as follows:

Whereas Chick Reynolds will retire from service to the United States Senate after twenty years as a member of the staff of the Official Reporters of Debates;

Whereas he has served the United States Senate with honor and distinction since joining the staff of the Official Reporters of Debates on July 1, 1974;

Whereas his hard work and outstanding excellence as an official reporter resulted in his appointment to the position of Chief Reporter on May 1, 1988;

Whereas, Chick Reynolds, as Chief Reporter of the Congressional Record, has at all times executed the important duties and responsibilities of his office with great efficiency and diligence;

Whereas Chick Reynolds has demonstrated loyal dedication to the United States Senate as an institution and leaves a legacy of superior and professional service: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the United States Senate expresses its deep appreciation and gratitude to Chick Reynolds for his years of faithful and exemplary service to his country and to the United States Senate.

SEC. 2. The Secretary shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Chick Reynolds.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

NOMINATION OF DANIEL ROBERT GLICKMAN, OF KANSAS, TO BE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

The Senate continued with the consideration of the nomination.

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, let me join with the others who have risen in support of this important nomination. I want to thank the majority leader for bringing this matter to the floor at

this time. This is a very important and timely issue for a lot of reasons.

Obviously, there are many extraordinary decisions that the Senate and Congress must make over the course of the next several months, and we need the leadership that Congressman Glickman can provide in this regard.

There are many who would like to begin working with him very earnestly, at the earliest possible date, to begin the process of developing another 5-year farm bill. We need to get on with that. We need to recognize how important it is that this farm bill be passed expeditiously.

Certainly, the sooner we can get this nomination confirmed, the better. I am excited about this nomination for a lot of reasons. I believe that Dan Glickman is perhaps one of the most qualified people to be nominated for this position, at least in recent memory.

He understands the importance of agriculture, of rural America, of all of the challenges that we face as we consider the transition that rural America is now experiencing.

He is extraordinary on creative bipartisan consensus on policy issues, as well as on the strategy regarding a number of the legislative matters that will come before the Senate. I believe that his bipartisan consensus building skills will serve everyone well.

Dan Glickman has served in the Congress for a long time. As a member of the House Agriculture Committee, he has been the leader on countless legislative issues relating to farm bills and agriculture. He deserves our support. We all recognize the leadership he has provided. He deserves the kind of consideration that he is being given this evening.

Mr. President, I think it is also important to note that Dan Glickman is one of the most accessible people I know. He is willing to go the extra mile, to talk with people, to be available as questions arise, both on and off the hill. He is willing to travel. He is willing to go out into the far reaches of this country to address in the most meaningful and considered way the broad range of issues that the Secretary of Agriculture must consider.

He is an outstanding legislator who is ready to lead on a whole range of issues that I know will be on his desk in the not-too-distant future. He has been an advocate of increasing trade with other countries. While he had specific reservations about the most recent trade agreement, Dan Glickman understands how important trade is, how important it is that we reach out to other countries and create new markets.

He recognizes, as well, the value of the new market development that we need to improve farm prices. He recognizes that value-added markets are really the key to long-term agricultural development. We cannot look to the farm bill to create artificial price mechanisms. We have to go out and build the markets both internationally and domestically.